

## CITY OF LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA TERMS & CONDITIONS

NOTE: BIDS NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THESE CONDITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS ARE SUBJECT TO REJECTION.

1. All bids must be submitted on and in accordance with this form. If more space is required to furnish a description of the commodities and/or services offered or delivery terms, the Bidder may attach a letter hereto, which will become a part of the bid. Each bid must be submitted in a separate envelope, and each envelope must be clearly marked with one (1) bid number and one (1) bid opening date. Any bids included in envelope for other opening dates are subject to rejection.
2. Bids and amendments thereto, if received by the City after the date and time specified for bid opening, are NOT considered. It is the responsibility of the Bidder to see that bids are in this office by the specified time and date. There will be no exceptions. Date of postmark is NOT considered. Phone and Fax bids are not accepted for sealed Bids.
3. Prices must be stated in units of quantity as specified on the bid forms that shall include freight and handling to the destination, less Federal, State, and Local taxes. Inside delivery where specified. In case of error in the extension of prices, the unit price shall govern.
4. The quoted delivery must be stated in definite terms. If delivery for different commodities vary, the Bidder shall so state.
5. Samples, when requested, must be furnished free of expense, and if not destroyed will, upon request, be returned at the Bidder's risk and expense.
6. Unless qualified by the provisions **NO SUBSTITUTE**, the use of the name of a manufacturer, brand, make or catalog designation in specifying an item does not restrict Bidders to the manufacturer, brand, make or catalog designation identification. This is used simply to indicate the character, quality and/or performance equivalence of the commodity desired, but the commodity on which bids are submitted must be of such character, quality, and/or performance equivalence that it will serve the purpose for which it is to be used equally as well as that specified. In submitting bids on a commodity other than that specified, Bidder must furnish complete data and identification with respect to the alternate commodity he proposes to furnish. Consideration will be given to bids submitted on alternate commodities to the extent that such action is deemed to serve the best interest of the City. If the Bidder does not indicate that the commodity quoted is other than specified, it will be construed to mean that the Bidder proposes to furnish the exact commodity specified.
7. Award will be made to the lowest responsible and responsive qualified bidder. The quality of the goods and services to be supplied, their conformity with the specifications, their suitability to the requirements of the City, and the delivery terms will be taken into consideration in making the award.
8. Acceptance of a bid by the City will be in the form of a written purchase order delineating required goods or services, whether original or confirmation.
9. Each bid is received with the understanding that the acceptance, made in writing by the City, of the offer to furnish any or all of the commodities and/or services described therein, shall constitute a contract between the Bidder and the City, which shall bid the Bidder on his part to furnish and deliver the articles quoted at the prices stated and in accordance with the conditions of said accepted bid; and the City on its part to order from such contractor, except for causes beyond reasonable control; and to pay for, at the agreed prices, all articles specified and delivered.
10. Any equipment delivered must be standard new equipment, latest model, except as otherwise specifically stated in bid. Where any part or nominal appurtenances of equipment are not described, it shall be understood that all the equipment and appurtenances which are usually provided in the manufacturer's stock model shall be furnished.
11. In the event of default by the Contractor, the City reserves the right to procure the commodities and/or services from other sources, and hold the Contractor liable for any excess cost occasioned hereby. If, however, public necessity requires use of materials or supplies not conforming to the specifications, they may be accepted and payment herefor shall be made at a proper reduction in price.
12. The Contractor guarantees to save the City, its agents or employees, harmless from liability of any nature or kind, for use of any copyrighted or uncopyrighted composition, secret process, patented or unpatented invention, articles or appliances furnished or used in the performance of the contract, or which the contractor is not the patentee, assignee or licensee.
13. All prices and notations must be in ink or typewritten. No erasures permitted. Mistakes may be crossed out and corrections typed adjacent; they must be initialed and dated in ink by person signing quotation.
14. All quotations must be signed indicating the firm name, by a responsible officer or employee. Obligations assumed by such signature must be fulfilled. **UNSIGNED BIDS ARE SUBJECT TO REJECTION.**
15. A bid may be withdrawn **ONLY** if the Bidder notifies the Purchasing Office in writing of his intent to withdraw within two business days after the public bid opening. Such withdrawal shall be permitted only due to a clerical mistake, unintentional arithmetic error, or unintentional omission which caused his bid to read substantially lower than all others received. Requests to withdraw a bid must be confirmed in writing, stating the reason, and will become part of the bid file. Withdrawal of bids does **NOT** confer the right to correct or change a bid.
16. If you do not quote, return this sheet and state reason. Otherwise, your firm is subject to removal from our vendor list.
17. Bidder declares that this bid is not the result of or affected by any act of collusion with another person engaged in the same line of business, or any act of fraud punishable under the Virginia Commonwealth Frauds Act.
18. The City reserves the right to award by item, groups of items or total bid, to reject any and all bids in whole or in part, and to waive any informality or technical defects if, in its judgement, the best interest of the City will be served.